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SUBJECT: AMERICAN SPECIALIST: DARWIN T. TURNER

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1. PROFESSOR DARWIN T. TURNER WILL BE A PARTICIPANT IN THE AFRICAN REGIONAL AMERICAN STUDIES CONFERENCE IN LAGOS MARCH 31 THROUGH APRIL 3. HE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO OTHER POSTS MARCH 22 THROUGH MARCH 29. HIS WIFE WILL ACCOMPANY HIM ON THE TRIP.

2. TURNER IS ESPECIALLY STRONG IN BLACK DRAMA, BUT CAN READILY COVER THE WHOLE FIELD OF BLACK WRITING INCLUDING POETRY. IS ALSO ABLE TO TREAT OTHER AMERICAN WRITERS. HE HAS GIVEN COURSES ON BLACK ACTION THEATRE, BLACK POETRY, RESEARCH IN AFRO-AMERICAN STUDIES.

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EDUCATION:

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, B.A., 1947 (ENGLISH)
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UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, M.A., 1949 (ENGLISH)
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, PH.D., 1956 (ENGLISH AND AMERICAN
DRAMATIC LITERATURE.)

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CLARK COLLEGE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 1949-51
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

MORGAN STATE COLLEGE BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, 1952-57
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

FLORIDA A AND M UNIVERSITY, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, 1957-59
PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

NORTH CAROLINA A AND T COLLEGE, GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA
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UNIVERSITY OF IOWA, IOWA CITY, IOWA, 1971 TO PRESENT
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